Department of Labor & Regulation Division of Insurance Notice of Public Hearing to Adopt Rules

A public hearing will be held in the Oahe Conference Room, 124 South Euclid Avenue, 1st Floor, Pierre, SD 57501, on **October 17, 2023, at 1:30 p.m., central time**, to consider the amendment of proposed rule § 20:06:53:66.

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The effect of this rule will be to remove the \$25 filings fee paid by a consumer when seeking an external review of an adverse determination made by a health carrier.

The reason for adopting the proposed rule is to reduce barriers to filing an external review for consumers and to allow the Division of Insurance to modernize this process in the future.

Persons interested in presenting amendments, data, opinions, and arguments for or against the proposed rule may appear in-person at the hearing, or mail or e-mail the materials to the South Dakota Division of Insurance, 124 South Euclid Avenue, 2nd Floor, Pierre, South Dakota 57501 or to <u>lisa.harmon@state.sd.us</u>. The deadline to submit any such written comments for consideration by Division is October 27, 2023, and materials sent by mail must reach the Division by the comment deadline to be considered.

After the public hearing and written comment period, the Division will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rule. The Division may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

If members of the public wish to appear remotely, please contact the Division for more information by October 13, 2023.

For Persons with Disabilities: This hearing will be located at a physically accessible place. Please contact the Division of Insurance at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements can be made by calling (605) 773-3563.

Copies of the proposed rule may be obtained without charge from:

Department of Labor & Regulation's website: http://dlr.sd.gov/insurance/admin rules/public hearings.aspx

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